

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1-16. (Canceled)

17. (New) An information processing apparatus, comprising:

an interface that receives a file containing information about a plurality of characteristic words representing characteristics of television programs;

a display section configured to display one of the plurality of characteristic words in a different color than an other of the plurality of characteristic words; and

a communication section that allows a selection of the one of the plurality of characteristic words, wherein

the interface transmits information about the one of the plurality of characteristic words to a recording and playback apparatus upon the selection, and is configured to receive television program information about one of the television programs from the recording and playback apparatus in response to the information about the one of the plurality of characteristic words.

18. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the interface receives the file from the recording and playback apparatus.

19. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the display section is further configured to display only the plurality of characteristic words.

20. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 17, wherein the display section is further configured to display the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an inverted color relative to the other of the plurality of characteristic words.

21. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the display section is further configured to display the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an upper part of the display section relative to the other of the plurality of the characteristic words.

22. (New) An information processing method implemented by a display apparatus, comprising:

controlling a reception of a file containing information about a plurality of characteristic words representing characteristics of television programs;

displaying, with the display apparatus, one of the plurality of characteristic words in a different color than an other of the plurality of characteristic words;

allowing a selection of the one of the plurality of characteristic words;

controlling a transmission of information about the one of the plurality of characteristic words to a recording and playback apparatus upon the selection; and

controlling a reception of television program information about one of the television programs from the recording and playback apparatus in response to the controlling the transmission.

23. (New) The information processing method according to claim 22, wherein, in the controlling the reception of the file, the file is received from the recording and playback apparatus.

24. (New) The information processing method according to claim 22, further comprising:

displaying, with the display apparatus, only the plurality of characteristic words.

25. (New) The information processing method according to claim 22, wherein, in the displaying, the display apparatus displays the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an inverted color relative to the other of the plurality of characteristic words.

26. (New) The information processing method according to claim 22, further comprising:

displaying the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an upper part of the display apparatus relative to the other of the plurality of characteristic words.

27. (New) A computer-readable storage medium encoded with computer executable instructions, wherein the instructions, when executed by a processing unit, cause the processing unit to:

control a reception of a file containing information about a plurality of characteristic words representing characteristics of television programs;

control a display section to display one of the plurality of characteristic words in a different color than an other of the plurality of characteristic words;

allow a selection of the one of the plurality of characteristic words;

control a transmission of information about the one of the plurality of characteristic words to a recording and playback apparatus upon the selection; and

control a reception of television program information about one of the television programs from the recording and playback apparatus in response to the information about the one of the plurality of characteristic words.

28. (New) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 27, wherein the file is received from the recording and playback apparatus.

29. (New) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 27, wherein the instructions cause the processing unit to control the display section to display only the plurality of characteristic words.

30. (New) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 27, wherein the instructions cause the processing unit to control the display section to display the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an inverted color relative to the other of the plurality of characteristic words.

31. (New) The computer-readable storage medium according to claim 27, wherein the instructions cause the processing unit to control the display section to display the one of the plurality of characteristic words in an upper part of the display section relative to the other of the plurality of characteristic words.